

22A...including the penalties prescribed thereon..." Ch. 609, however, repealed both §§ 21 and 22A and, in effect, substituted the new concept of an "unfair or deceptive trade practice" as well as new enforcement procedure for violations of these practices. The resultant gap and inconsistencies have been corrected by §§ 13-301(10) and 14-106 in a manner which the Commission believes is faithful to the legislative scheme intended by enactment of Ch. 609.

Present Art. 83, §20E, enacted by Ch. 609, Acts of 1974, subjects the general rule-making power of the Division, as it relates to "the purposes of this subheading [subtitle]," to certain specific procedures; present Art. 83, §22C, enacted by Ch. 596, Acts of 1974, provides for the arbitration of disputes "arising under a provision of this subtitle." It would appear that these provisions were intended to apply to unit pricing, which is presently a part of the referenced "subtitle," the Consumer Protection Act. Consequently, these provisions are incorporated by reference in §§ 14-105 and 14-107, respectively.

SUBTITLE 2. CONSUMER DEBT COLLECTION.

14-201. DEFINITIONS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language used as the standard introductory language to a definition section.

(B) COLLECTOR.

"COLLECTOR" MEANS A PERSON COLLECTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT AN ALLEGED DEBT ARISING OUT OF A CONSUMER TRANSACTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added without substantive change to clarify the meaning of the term "collector" as used in this subtitle.

(C) CONSUMER TRANSACTION.

"CONSUMER TRANSACTION" MEANS ANY TRANSACTION INVOLVING A PERSON SEEKING OR ACQUIRING REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, SERVICES, MONEY, OR CREDIT FOR PERSONAL, FAMILY, OR HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES.